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Sir:

This is a response to the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designed/Elected Office having a malling date of 02/07/2006 and for which a period for response of two (2) months from the mailing date of said Notice Is set to expire 04/07/2006.

Enclosed is a Declaration by the present Inventors and a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-2179 for the surcharge of \$130.00 in accordance with 37 CFR 1.492(h). Issuance of a formal Filling Receipt is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 04/14/2005
- English Translation of the IA filed on 04/14/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 04/14/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 04/14/2005
- Copy of Annexes to the IPER filed on 04/14/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 04/14/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 04/14/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 04/14/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 04/14/2005
- Substitute Specification filed on 04/14/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 04/14/2005
- Specification filed on 04/14/2005
- Claims filed on 04/14/2005
- Abstracts filed on 04/14/2005
- Drawings filed on 04/14/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.

To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath
or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the
missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

• \$130 Surcharge.

Additionally the following defects have been observed:

 The translations of Annexes are canceled since the translations were not submitted prior to 30 months from the priority date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.138(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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